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Office Action Summary

Application No.

10/758,270

Applicant(s)

MOORS ET AL.

Examiner

Peter B. Kim

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address --**Period for Reply**

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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Status

- 1) ☐ Responsive to communication(s) filed on ____.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-32 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) ____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-32 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) ____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on ____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. ____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date. ____. |
| 2) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | 5) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) |
| 3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
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DETAILED ACTION

Drawings

The drawings are objected to because K_{PA} disclosed in para 0045 is not shown in drawings. Corrected drawing sheets in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121(d) are required in reply to the Office action to avoid abandonment of the application. Any amended replacement drawing sheet should include all of the figures appearing on the immediate prior version of the sheet, even if only one figure is being amended. The figure or figure number of an amended drawing should not be labeled as “amended.” If a drawing figure is to be canceled, the appropriate figure must be removed from the replacement sheet, and where necessary, the remaining figures must be renumbered and appropriate changes made to the brief description of the several views of the drawings for consistency. Additional replacement sheets may be necessary to show the renumbering of the remaining figures. Each drawing sheet submitted after the filing date of an application must be labeled in the top margin as either “Replacement Sheet” or “New Sheet” pursuant to 37 CFR 1.121(d). If the changes are not accepted by the examiner, the applicant will be notified and informed of any required corrective action in the next Office action. The objection to the drawings will not be held in abeyance.

Specification

The disclosure is objected to because of the following informalities: in para 0048, both heater and radiation source are assigned ref number 2.

Para 0049 discloses that temperature is maintained at a range of plus or minus 50 degrees from a ‘certain average operating temperature,’ but fails to disclose the average temperature.

Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Objections

Claims 20 and 26 are objected to because of the following informalities: an average operating temperature is not disclosed.

Claim 30 is objected to because the structural relationship between the receiving and transmitting means, the heating means and the rest of the structure of the apparatus is not clear.

Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

Claims 1, 3-8, 12-15, and 18-32 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Mori et al. (Mori) (5,906,429).

Mori discloses a lithographic apparatus and method comprising an illumination system (Fig. 11), a support structure to support a patterning device (9), a substrate table for holding a substrate, a projection system (col. 1, lines 11-20, substrate and a projection system is inherent to an exposure apparatus), a collector (2A, 3A) to receive radiation from a first radiation source (1) and at least one heater (10, 13) for heating the collector. Mori discloses an electrical heater (10) and sensor (11A, 11B, 14A, 14B) for detecting the temperature, the collector including reflecting inner surface (Fig. 11), and a controller (12, 15) to control the temperature.

Mori also discloses a collector (2A) comprising reflecting element (Fig. 11) to receive radiation from a first radiation source (1) and a heater (10) coupled to the reflecting elements.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

Claims 2, 16 and 17 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Mori et al. (Mori) in view of Sogard (2005/0099611).

Mori discloses the claimed invention as discussed above; however, Mori does not disclose the heater which includes a second radiation source. Sogard discloses a heater which includes a radiation source in para 0057. Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to provide a heater which includes a radiation source to the invention of Mori in order to provide a heating means which does not contact the collector as taught by Sogard in para 0057.

Claims 9- 11 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Mori et al. (Mori) in view of Bade et al. (Bade) (2003/0223136).

Mori discloses the claimed invention as discussed above; however, Mori does not disclose a heating layer which includes nickel which is vacuum compliant. Bade discloses a heating layer for heating a mirror (abstract) which includes nickel (para 0020). Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to provide a heating layer which includes nickel to the invention of Mori in order to prevent over voltage by combining it with current limiter as taught by Bade in para 0020.

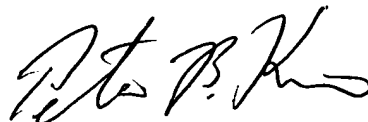
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Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Peter B. Kim whose telephone number is (571) 272-2120. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:00 AM - 5:30 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Judy Nguyen can be reached on (571) 272-2258. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

Information regarding the status of an application may be obtained from the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. Status information for published applications may be obtained from either Private PAIR or Public PAIR. Status information for unpublished applications is available through Private PAIR only. For more information about the PAIR system, see <http://pair-direct.uspto.gov>. Should you have questions on access to the Private PAIR system, contact the Electronic Business Center (EBC) at 866-217-9197 (toll-free).



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